

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date: 4-16-03

Division: Public Works

Bulk Item: Yes X No

Department: Administration

AGENDA ITEM WORDING: Approval to close four roads in the Silver Shores Estates, Ramrod Key.

ITEM BACKGROUND: A request was received from the County's Land Steward, Laurie McHargue, to close four roads, Pruitt Drive at its intersection with Johnson Street, Bachmann Road at its intersection with Johnson Street, the dirt trail connecting Bay Shore Drive with Bachmann Road and Pruitt Drive south of its intersection with Bay Shore Drive, due to illegal dumping and misuse of the properties. The areas are environmentally sensitive.

PREVIOUS RELEVANT BOCC ACTION: None

CONTRACT/AGREEMENT CHANGES: N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval as stated above.

Approx.
TOTAL COST: \$1,000.00

BUDGETED: Yes X NO

Cost to County: Same

SOURCE OF FUNDS Gas Tax Funds

REVENUE PRODUCING: YES NO X **AMOUNT PER MONTH** **YEAR**

APPROVED BY: County Atty. OMB/Purchasing Risk Management

DIVISION DIRECTOR APPROVAL:

Dent Pierce 3/21/03
Dent Pierce, Division Director

DOCUMENTATION: Included X To Follow Not Required

DISPOSITION:

AGENDA ITEM # C7

Memorandum

To: Dave Koppel, Monroe County Engineer
From: Laurie McHargue, Land Steward
Date: 5 March 2003
Re: Road closures, Silver Shores Estates

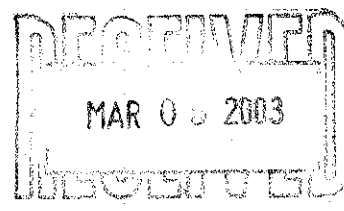
I have received a request from residents of Silver Shores Estates to investigate the feasibility of closing some of the roads to limit solid waste dumping, yet allow access to the swimming hole at the end of Pruitt Drive. The only development in the subdivision is along the bayside of Bay Shore Drive, and these are the homeowners asking us to look at this.

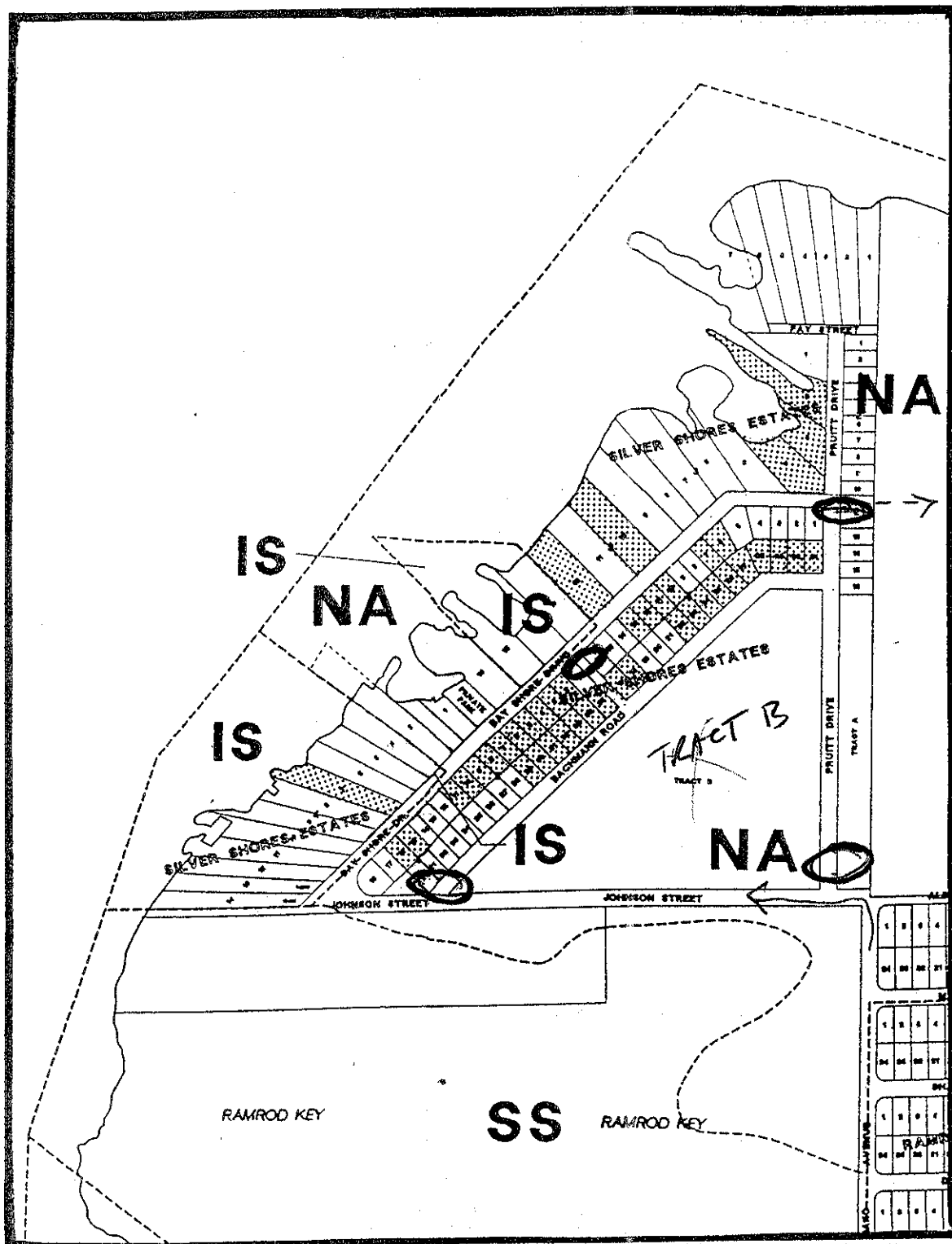
The Land Authority completed a round of offers in the subdivision last year, and closed on a number of properties, including the large central Tract B. It is mostly low hammock, mangroves, and wetlands. Attached is the strip map for Silver Shores Estates showing locations of proposed closure sites at four locations:

1. Pruitt Drive at its intersection with Johnson Street (Pruitt is a rutted, dirt road)
2. Bachmann Road at its intersection with Johnson Street
3. The dirt trail connecting Bay Shore Drive with Bachmann Road
4. Pruitt Drive just south of its intersection with Bay Shore Drive (so people can get to the swimming hole, but can't access Pruitt south of Bay Shore.)

The proposed blockages would discourage people with truck loads of solid waste because they would be very obvious to residents along the paved road. There is also a dirt track leading east from Bay Shore Drive as if it were an extension out into the adjoining wetlands. I don't know if it would be advisable to block this as well because the land around it is similarly open and low, and a vehicle could go off the road almost anywhere when it is dry.

Thanks again for your help. If you have any questions, I can be reached at X7112.





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Property SILVER SHORES ESTATES